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PROVIDING A SECURE-PRIVATE
PARTITION ON A HARD DISK DRIVE
OF A COMPUTER SYSTEM VIA IDE
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Final Office Action mailed December 21, 2004, in connection with the above-referenced patent application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and consideration of the attached remarks.